

BROOKLYN NEWS.

DID SHE DIE OF A BEATING? NOLAN'S BODY COMING HOME.

Patriot McGee Held to Answer for His Wife's Death.

She Was Taken to the Hospital in a Badly Bruised Condition.

Probably Walked Off the Train in a Somnambulistic Fit.

Judge Watson, in the Ewen Street Court, Williamsburg, to-day held Patrick McGee, of 31 Knickerbocker avenue, to answer a charge of homicide.

McGee is a truckman, twenty-eight years old, and lived with his wife and three small children at the above address. From all accounts he has brutally ill-treated his wife on numerous occasions, and she had frequently complained of his conduct.

On Friday Mrs. McGee went to the house of her sister, Mrs. John Gallagher, at No. 18 Eighth street, and told her she had been beaten and lied by her husband.

The woman was summoned, in which she was taken to St. Catherine's Hospital. There it was found her body was a mass of bruises, and it is understood that several of her bones were broken, although the hospital authorities would not talk about the case to-day.

Everything possible was done for Mrs. McGee, but without success, and she died early yesterday morning after suffering terrible agony. Coroner Cramer was notified, and he at once began instructions to the police.

That night the woman was met on the street by Policeman McCormick, who is reason to believe that the man who met her later in the day had \$300, which he and his wife had hoarded up in his pocket. He declined to make any statement, however, beyond simply agreeing to respond him, Mr. Nolan leaves, widow, two children and four step-children.

BELLMORE'S SENSATION.

Mrs. Van Cott's Hearing Will Draw a Big Crowd.

Reopening of the Columbia — The New People's.

The opening of the Columbia Theatre in Brooklyn Saturday night with "The Lost Paradise" brought out a fashionable audience. The play is one of the best of the De Mille series, and it was excellently interpreted by a company headed by Forrest Robinson, as Warren Frank Dayton, as Stanislaw; Prince Lubomir, as Appleton; Mrs. Anna Van Cott, the actress caused by Mrs. Tourie's husband, David, to whom she was secretly married a year ago.

The scene comes up Friday before Justice Deacon.

Tourie met his wife and Mrs. Van Cott, both of whom are young and witty, with three young men and ordered her to leave.

Mrs. Van Cott, who is the daughter of Pastor Stephen C. Smith of the Belmont Presbyterian Church, refused to allow Tourie to go, and went to Deacon's home. Mrs. Tourie's father is Deacon J. H. Davis, of Parsons Smith's church.

Trouble is again brewing among the Chicago theatricals. River lines over passenger rates, and a war is likely to break out at any time.

The Pennsylvania State Board of Public Works has assessed the railroad valuation for tax purposes in that State at \$22,205,829.

The Pennsylvania has begun a crusade to prevent street railway companies from raising their fares.

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Starting developments are expected at the beginning.

GARDENER MARTIN HELD.

Accused of Assaulting a Little Girl in Prospect Park.

Frank Martin, fifty years old, at one time a patient in the Flatbush Insane Asylum, Brooklyn, and now a gardener at that institution, was to-day held in \$2,000 bail by Justice Sweeney, of Flatbush, charged with criminal assault of eleven-year-old Katie March, daughter of Bartholomew March, of Flatbush Avenue and City Line.

The evidence this morning tends to show that Martin, when he met his victim on the street, and by asking her kindly and penitently persuaded her to go with him into Prospect Park.

The child was discovered in the act by several men. Martin fled, pursued by a crowd of indignant citizens. He was taken into custody, and was remanded in default of bail for examination on Wednesday.

PREFERS THE PENITENTIARY.

Kerrigan Wanted to Go Where He Could Get Nourishment.

William Kerrigan, of 934 Pacific street, Brooklyn, was remanded before Justice Wadsworth in the Adams Street Court, to-day, charged with being drunk.

He told the leader of the meeting that he had left a family shop and had no money to buy food and medicine. He told his story in a straightforward manner. The hat was passed around and the proceeds \$1.10 were given to him.

Two of the ushers suspected that the fellow was a swindler and followed him out of the hall, where he was to meet another man and divide the spoils. Both men then started for the nearest saloon. Tracey was arrested when he came out, but his confederate escaped.

OUR POLICEMEN TO ARREST HER

James Johnson, a Mulatto, Tried to Stick Pins Into Men She Passed.

A plump young mulatto, who gave the name of Mamie Johnson, was fined \$10 by Justice Walsh in the Adams Street Court, Brooklyn, to-day, for getting drunk and creating a disturbance on Franklin Avenue shortly after midnight, and then running after police to take her home. The was "billed," said one of the policemen in court to-day, "and she was going to stick pins into every man she passed."

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